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**References:**

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Tanaka, M. et al. "The 'Haptic Finger' - a new device for monitoring skin condition," *Skin Research and Technology*, 9:131-136 (2003).

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